

the reasons for his retirement now is the absence of any other person in this body with whom he could deal and interact in the way in which he did with our friend from New Hampshire, Warren Rudman. But Senator COHEN's wisdom and independence and thoughtfulness will be greatly and profoundly missed in this body.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR HANK BROWN

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, you, Senator BROWN, happen to be the Presiding Officer as I come to the floor to make these remarks. You are the one Member whose decision not to return I can least understand. Senator BROWN has been a friend, recommended to me by one of his closest friends in the House of Representatives as his closest friend, during the course of this last 6 years. You, perhaps above all of us on this side of the aisle, have been absolutely unafraid to take a position which would gain you only a tiny handful of votes. I know how many times I have come back to you during a roll-call to inquire whether or not one of your amendments could reach double digits during the course of a rollcall. But it has been one of your great features—a willingness to say, "no," the conventional wisdom is not correct, the easy way out is not the right way to go; there is a different way, a way that is better for the American people, better for all of us, albeit more difficult.

I know there have been occasions—a few occasions at least—in which those views have been expressed with such eloquence that they have actually prevailed in this body, and there are a number of times in which you can say, with I hope most of us, that, "But for me, the final result would have been different, and we are better off for me having been here."

Your cheerfulness and happiness and your willingness to deal with adversity has, I think, been an inspiration to every single one of us in this body. I do have every hope that you will be successful in whatever lies ahead in your career. I do know that not just by this Senator, but I believe by all of your colleagues, you will be greatly and wonderfully missed.

One last point in that connection which I found, about a year and a half ago, to be particularly profound was your role in the very difficult decision made by my other seatmate, the junior Senator from Colorado, to change parties, and to come over to this side. I don't know whether he would have been able to bring himself to do that at the same time or in the same way had it not been for the constant encouragement, friendship, thoughtfulness, and guidance that you provided for him. That itself will be a part of your heritage, which will live in this body long after you have left it yourself.

I must say this will be a lesser place without you. I note that the majority

leader is now on the floor. I have several other talks like this to make about other Members, but for the time being, I yield the floor.

Mr. LOTT addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The distinguished Republican leader.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I thank the Senator from Washington for yielding, and also for his very kind remarks.

DEPARTING SENATORS

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, 14 of our colleagues will be retiring from the Senate at the end of this year. That is almost one-seventh of this body. Their departure represents a major turnover in the membership of the Senate, an institution which prizes itself on its continuity and its gradual pace of change.

With these 14 leaving, surely the Senate will be a different place next year. We have been enriched by these 14 Senators each in their own way, and in many ways over the years.

In the last 2 weeks it has been very hectic here, and I would have taken the floor earlier to comment about these distinguished Senators except for that very busy schedule. But I am glad now that I have the time to talk with a little leisure, and maybe even tell some special stories that I remember about some of these Senators. Each of them deserve special recognition.

I am glad so many Senators have spoken at length about those who will soon leave us. I went back and read several of the statements that were made Friday and Saturday, including some of the statements by Senators that will be leaving—particularly Senator COHEN of Maine. I found his remarks very interesting and enlightening, and typical of the Senator from Maine.

As everyone knows, the last few weeks have been an extraordinarily busy time. We have managed to deal with many items that have been stalled but most importantly we successfully pulled together the omnibus appropriations bill that will fund most of the Federal Government and direct many of its policies for years ahead. It wasn't easy for some Members and staff. It took literally weeks, and many of the Senators and staff members stayed up literally all night for 2 nights in a row. They did great work, and we are very proud of their work.

We are proud that we were able to complete our work last night in a bipartisan fashion. There was an overwhelming vote for that work product. I believe the vote was 84 to 15.

So now in the little time we have left in this 104th Congress I can finally get around to paying proper respects, although in an abbreviated form, to these distinguished Senators.

Senator BILL BRADLEY of New Jersey, for example, is widely expected to remain a force in our national politics. That is a tactful way of saying he is too impressive to ignore and too young to be relegated to the political hall of

fame. He spent 18 years in the Senate proving that a Rhodes scholar can play hardball when he has to—and disproving the old adage that Senators can't jump. We wish him well and know that, in more ways than one, we will be hearing from him over and over again.

As we are preparing to leave, one of the bills that is left is the so-called "parks bill." I found myself last night here in the well talking to the Senator from New Jersey. He was involved working with the Senator from Alaska, Senator MURKOWSKI, to find a way to get that one last bill done. He last left his mark on this institution, and his mark on some outstanding legislation. And we look forward to working with him in a different role in the future.

Of course, my good friend sitting in the Chair this morning, Senator HANK BROWN of Colorado, leaves us far too soon after only one term in the Senate.

I remember very well receiving his call—I believe it was 2 years ago right after we had the election. In fact, I was running for a position myself at the time. And he was giving me suggestions. But he also wanted me to know. "And, by the way, I am leaving." I almost passed out. I could not believe it. I cannot envision serving in the Congress without HANK BROWN. He is just one of the most insightful Members I have ever known—brilliant in a very modest way.

I really do wish we had time to get him on the Finance Committee because his hand on the tax policy of this country would have been a wonderful sight to behold.

I remember that several of the things I have done over the years, that probably have gotten me into more trouble than I wanted, had been suggested by HANK BROWN. I will not forget my friend from Colorado. We surely will miss HANK, and we know that, again like the others, we will be hearing from him, and that his insightful intellectual integrity and his unfailing courtesy will continue to serve him well as he goes back to his beloved Colorado.

Senator BILL COHEN seems also far too young, both in years and in spirit, to have served in Congress for 24 years. Senator COHEN of Maine, Senator COCHRAN of Mississippi, and I were sworn in together as Members of the House of Representatives in 1973. We all have been together really ever since, even though the two of them came over to the Senate in 1978 and I didn't come over. I trailed along 10 years later. We have been through some incredible experiences together.

I have grown over the years to just come to admire and respect BILL COHEN so much. On the Armed Services Committee we are not just colleagues but comrades. We worked together to advance our Nation's security. We have a common interests in the magnificent cruisers and destroyers that defend our shores so well.

BILL COHEN turned out to be a novelist and a poet. He even published a book of poems. I mean, can you imagine? Most people would do well to write

one poem. He has written a book of poems, as well as being an expert on matters as diverse as weapons systems and the problems of the elderly—and always as an independent thinker for the people of his State and for our country.

There are many issues on which we disagree, and we didn't always vote together, obviously. But none of them could diminish our mutual respect or my admiration for his dedication to his State and to his country.

We all certainly wish he and Janet Goodspeed in the years ahead.

Senator JIM EXON from Nebraska has served with distinction as ranking member of the Senate Budget Committee. As a junior member of that committee, I far preferred him in the latter role in the minority. But I respected his commitment and appreciated his fairness no matter what party was in the majority.

There may be no more thankless task in the Senate than trying to steer the budget process, from either side of the aisle. And it takes a lot of teamwork and cooperation between the chairmen. In the last couple of years Senator DOMENICI and Senator EXON—I watched them work together many times standing shoulder to shoulder in the same position. I know I speak for all of us in expressing our appreciation for JIM's leadership, for his friendship, and for all the times his prairie personality has taken the edge off the sharp issues, and helped us to see the other side.

In fact, I have enjoyed this very year. He would come over on to the floor and say, "You know, Dole is trying to get me to be his running mate, and I am giving it a lot of thought."

He always had something to say that just loosened you up a little bit.

I have enjoyed working with him.

Senator SHEILA FRAHM of Kansas has been with us for only a matter of months. Coming to the Senate in the aftermath of Senator Dole's departure, she immediately faced extraordinary circumstances which she met with admirable effort and ability.

She has dealt with both her official duties and her political position with a heartfelt commitment to the people of Kansas.

Someone once defined courage as grace under pressure. SHEILA FRAHM has exceeded that standard. To grace she has added an unfailing cordiality, a no-nonsense devotion to her work that really defines what it means to be a Senator of the United States.

In the Senate, it is not how long you are a member of the team. It is how you handle the plays for the time that you are on the field. I know I am not alone in looking forward to her next appearance in whatever arena of public service that she chooses.

I referred earlier to the hard work, the long hours, and the positive way in which we reached a bipartisan conclusion to our omnibus appropriations bill just last night. A lot of the credit has to go to the gentle nature, the intel-

ligence, the modesty, and the persistence of Senator MARK HATFIELD of Oregon. He has been working here for 30 years as a central figure in the progress and the dramas of the American Republic. He is now an institution within this institution. He has been more than a witness to great events of the last 30 years. He has been a key participant in many of them.

I remember when I first came to Washington in 1968 as a 26-year-old young staffer. MARK HATFIELD was already here and making a mark, and making waves sometimes. But because of MARK's work over these three decades, American education has been transformed, American health care and medical research are revolutionized, and public policy is more humane, more just, and more compassionate. That is his memorial, and it is far larger a monument than the many statues that line the corridors of this Capitol.

Senator HOWELL HEFLIN of Alabama is often called the Judge, and for good reason. It is more than a reference to his previous position in the State of Alabama. It is a tribute to his temperament and his fairness, a special knowledge of the way he deals with issues and with people.

Some people say he talks a little funny. I never noticed it. I think he has no accent whatsoever. But I do get a little chuckle out of the fact sometimes that people come over and say, "Intrepret that for me." But whatever he is saying, it is worth listening to.

The Judiciary Committee will be poorer for his absence. We will all miss the way his self-effacing approach to a contentious matter could reinforce the comity that should always prevail in this body. While we share his happiness at the prospect of spending more time with his family, he and Mrs. Heflin will be missed from our Senate family.

They truly have been a family. Anytime there was an event off this floor, Mrs. Heflin was there. They were always a team. They were great representatives for our country in foreign affairs.

So I hasten to add, speaking as a neighbor, that they will be warmly welcomed across the border, and I know we are going to see a lot more of them here in Washington also.

Senator J. BENNETT JOHNSTON, of Louisiana, is another neighbor, and we have often worked together on regional matters.

While no one has ever doubted his loyalty to his party, he has often helped us bridge our differences to reach consensus. That has been especially true in his role, first as chairman, then as ranking minority member, on the Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

He now ends 24 years of service in the Senate and the Nation. It is hard to believe it has actually been that long. His departure will not end the friendship on both sides of the aisle, the best tribute to his standing among us. In fact, just last night there was a tremendous

dinner held in his honor. Unfortunately, we were having a couple of votes, and it was interrupted a little bit, but a tremendous outpouring of affection from his constituents and from his colleagues in the Congress showed him just how much we do appreciate him.

Senator NANCY KASSEBAUM, of Kansas, came to Washington many years ago as a staff member to then Senator James Pearson, of Kansas. So I guess I should say she worked her way up the ladder.

Six years ago, when she was contemplating retirement, her colleagues sported buttons saying "Run, Nancy, Run." I wore one. We wanted her to stay. She ran, and, to no one's surprise she won overwhelmingly. If we had prevailed upon her to run again, she would win again.

Now it is time, she says, to go to—I think she calls it a farm. I had occasion to be in Topeka, and I landed at the airport, and there was NANCY KASSEBAUM, casually dressed and looking awfully relaxed and making me jealous that she was already in that frame of mind that she was enjoying retirement in her beloved land of Topeka, KS.

I could pay her tribute, as other Senators have, in appropriate flowery language, but in the final analysis I need only say this: When NANCY first came to the Congress, she was referred to as Alf Landon's daughter, but henceforth the identification will be reversed. From here on out, Alf Landon will be known as NANCY KASSEBAUM's father.

Senator SAM NUNN, of Georgia, also has spent 24 years in the Senate, during which time our country and all mankind have gone through tremendous changes. One thing that has not changed is SAM NUNN's single-minded devotion to his country's security in a dangerous world. Let me say something indelicate but something every one of his colleagues know. The Senate did not have to be the highest post to which SAM NUNN aspired. But he made his choices, and we are thankful for them.

His independent judgment has steadied the Senate in rocky times. I know that from personal experience. As a member of the Armed Services Committee, I worked with SAM in a bipartisan way across the aisle on many issues, many times very controversial issues. Even now on the Sunday morning talk shows, when most of the guests are on, I am flipping over to a football game or reading the paper or going out in the backyard to water the flowers. When SAM NUNN is on, I stop and listen because what he has to say is always very important and very impressive. His solid character has given weight to our deliberations. He has been a Senator's Senator, and I thank him for the gift of his example.

Senator CLAIBORNE PELL now closes out 36 years—36 years—six terms in the Senate. That is longer than many Members, particularly in the House,

have been alive. As a young diplomat in postwar Europe, he saw the imposition of Soviet communism upon Eastern Europe. But he was here to greet the leaders of those same nations when, two generations later, they reclaimed their independence and their liberty. Among us here he has always retained the skills of the diplomat. No one can recall an angry word or destructive gesture on his part.

I wonder how many college students, present and past, realize that he is the "Pell" in their Pell grants. It is no matter, for his satisfaction has been in doing, not in the credit. We give it to him nonetheless with appreciation for what he has meant to the Senate and to the Nation.

I was very much impressed with the comments of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. HELMS], just recently. He was emotional, and he said, "I admit it because we all love this man." And it is typical.

I was going down the hall on the first floor one day when I had the whip office adjoining his little office. He stopped me, and he said, "Have you ever seen my little room in here where I do most of my work?" I had not, and I walked in. It is an incredible room. I encourage my colleagues, if you haven't been in it, go. First of all, it is not real tidy. It has a smell of history, and it has a look of history—pictures that go back 50 years, 100 years, documents. It is a museum, and it is one room of one Senator in this building down on the first floor. I have enjoyed getting to know Senator PELL.

Senator DAVID PRYOR, of Arkansas, is a holder of the triple crown of American politics. He has served as Governor, Congressman, and Senator. I guess you could consider that the ultimate in recycling. They say you never know who your friends are until you run into real trouble. Well, when DAVID ran into trouble a few years ago with some rather serious heart problems, a heart attack while at home alone in his bed, the extent and the depth of his friendships in the Senate became clear. There is no greater tribute than having colleagues worry about your absence.

No one could say that Senator PRYOR is flashy in the traditional sense. That is why his quiet work on the Finance Committee and on the Aging Committee, which he formerly chaired, has made a difference and has rightly been his proudest accomplishment. Even now he is having some difficulty with a family member who has had to have some surgery and is going, I believe, to Houston for further evaluation this very week, and I have watched here in the Chamber as Senator after Senator go up to DAVID—Republican, Democrat, conservative, liberal, North, South, it makes no difference. They genuinely are interested and concerned because DAVID is interested and concerned. We salute him for all he has done.

PAUL SIMON, he of the bow tie. I thought it was a great tribute to him last week when we all wore bow ties.

We just thought it was an expression of our affection for him. I think he enjoyed it, and we certainly all enjoyed it. He has received so many tributes that day and since from Senators it has left me very little I can say in addition, but he certainly has also left a mark here, not just his trademark bow ties, as they do not represent the important things about him—a thoughtfulness about issues, a civility about disagreements, a coolness about crises. The Senate's loss in his leaving is tempered by our certainty that it is hardly the end of his presence in public life in our country. We will be hearing his voice. We will be reading his insights for many years to come.

Last and not least is the tall cowboy from Wyoming, ALAN SIMPSON, probably one of the better known Members of the Senate. Once you have seen him, it is hard to forget him. Of course, among all his other achievements over the years—he has been in leadership, he has been highly involved in many issues—he has done radio shows, I think almost daily, in which he and his friend from Massachusetts, Senator KENNEDY, exchange pleasantries. It is great to listen to them. It is always hard hitting, insightful and funny. They genuinely like each other; you can tell it in the radio show.

The news media relish his keen and sometimes acerbic comments. He is always good for a laugh with those western stories that he seems to embellish more and more every time he tells them. I have heard some of them many times, and they are funny every time. Yet we should not miss the point of his famous humor. He uses it as a tool to deflate pomposity, to replace tension with camaraderie, to replace argument with communication.

The 104th Congress is closing with a landmark victory for Senator SIMPSON, enactment of an illegal immigration bill on which he has long labored. I know in many respects he will consider it his crown jewel, his greatest accomplishment legislatively over the years.

It really frustrated me a week or so ago when it looked like we might actually lose it or lose major portions of it, but he was determined, he was relentless, he was aggressive, and again he employed his best weapon of all, humor. But just this past Saturday, at 2:30 in the morning, ALAN SIMPSON was ramming around these corridors looking for where the meetings were on illegal immigration. He was not going to let them escape his grasp. Every place the negotiations settled for a meeting to talk about various subjects that always led to illegal immigration, lo and behold the door filled up with the image of AL SIMPSON once again.

We all know that there is much more he wanted to accomplish, but the times, and perhaps the tempers, were not right. So we have much to come back to next year, including those hot wires that Senator SIMPSON had the courage to grasp barehanded. Sometimes we would all stand back and say,

"AL, don't touch that. But if you do, don't mention my name."

No one knows better than I how difficult it is to be his opponent. By the same token, I know firsthand how devoted he is to the Senate, how loyal he is to his conscience, and how, many times, come next year we will wish we were there, having him stand tall—very tall—among us all.

I yield the floor.

Mr. BURNS addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Montana is recognized.

TRIBUTE TO THE LATE JUDGE JAMES FRANKLIN BATTIN

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to one of Montana's favorite citizens, who died last Friday. Some will remember his name and some will remember his presence in these halls of Congress. Judge James Franklin Battin left a legacy of service to this Nation and to our State of Montana, and to everyone who came in contact with him. He was 71 years old. He died of cancer at his home in Billings, MT. He is survived by his wife Barbara, two daughters, and a son who is now serving as a member of the California State legislature.

The judge was born February 13, 1925, in Wichita, KS, and was a personal friend to former Senator and now Presidential candidate Bob Dole, of Kansas. Both of them being born in Kansas, we can see why. But he moved with his family to Billings in 1929.

The life story of "Big" Jim Battin reads like the life story of this great United States. There are stories like this one all over America, but they are not told or given their proper space in American lore. When this Nation called during its great time of need and peril in World War II, he answered. He served in the U.S. Navy, earned two battle stars at Saipan and Okinawa.

He also answered the call to serve the people of eastern Montana, and represented them and America in the House of Representatives from 1961 until President Nixon appointed him Federal district judge in 1970.

Everyone who knew him here as a Congressman had great respect for him. He was known for his vision, his wisdom, and a quick wit. More important, he was known for his integrity: His word was his bond. All these great characteristics he carried over in his work on the bench and the important decisions he made every day that affected peoples' lives.

To Jim Battin, all people had faces. I know of no one who ever met or dealt with Big Jim who had the feeling that he did not care, this tall Congressman from Montana, who had a heart as big as the sky and as big as the State he represented.

From a personal standpoint, I feel a great loss. He was one that I went to when I was confronted with problems arising out of Washington. Who better to go to, than a man who was held in